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February 24, 2006

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT
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Western Clay Company
Mr. Brad Boyter
620 East State Highway 24
Aurora, Utah 84620

Subject: Five-Year Review of Reclamation Surety Estimate, Western Clay Company, Last Chance 25 & 26 Mine, M/015/061, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Boyter:

The Division conducts the periodic review of reclamation surety estimates to verify accuracy, make adjustments for escalation, and account for any site modifications that could result in a change of the surety amount.

The reclamation surety for Western Clay Company's Last Chance 25 & 26 Mine is due for review as of 2006. To assist us in this review, we request **two copies** of an updated map of your site showing current surface facilities and disturbances. Please provide the updated maps at a scale of not less than 1 inch = 200 feet, which may include: buildings, stationary mining/processing equipment, roads, utilities, power lines, drainage structures (i.e. berms, culverts, etc.), topsoil, ore and product storage areas, overburden/waste dumps, tailings or processed waste facilities, solid and liquid wastes, and wastewater discharge treatment and containment facilities, etc. These maps should include all areas which have been affected by this operation to date.

If any reclamation has been completed on the site since the last surety estimate review, complete form MR-Bond/-Release. This form is available on the Division web at www.dogm.utah.gov. Provide a separate map of the same scale as the site map, clearly identifying these reclaimed areas, the acreage affected, and the date of the reclamation. Please cross-hatch or shade the areas to identify the reclamation treatments (i.e. ripping, regrading, mulching, seeding, etc.) which have been applied.

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Please provide this information within the next 60 days or no later than April 17, 2006. If you are unable to meet this timeframe, contact the Division with justification for requesting additional time. Thank you for providing this information to assist us in our surety estimate review. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Doug Jensen at (801) 538-5382.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan M. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'S' and 'W'.

Susan M. White
Mine Program Coordinator
Minerals Regulatory Program

SMW:dj:jb

Enclosure: Bond-Release form

cc: Rebecca Doolittle, BLM, Price FO (UTU-69862)

Doug Jensen, DOGM

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Application for Site and/or Bond Release

Operator/Permittee: _____	
Mine/Project Name: _____	
File Number: _____	
Check One: <input type="checkbox"/> Large Mine <input type="checkbox"/> Small Mine <input type="checkbox"/> Exploration	
Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> Partial Release of a <u>portion</u> of the mine site: Acres to be released: _____ Acres Remaining: _____ Specify Area: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Release of a <u>portion</u> of the mine site: Acres to be released: _____ Specify Area: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Partial Release of entire mine site: Total Acres to be released: _____ (Backfilling and grading are completed)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Release of entire mine site: Total Acres to be released: _____ (Vegetation established and survived three growing seasons)	
Amount of Existing Surety: _____	
Amount of Surety requested for release: _____	
Reason for Bond Release Request:	
Complete this section if the money released from this application is to be used as surety for future disturbance.	
Release bond on: _____ Acres (specify area) _____	
Apply Bond to: _____ Acres (specify area) _____	
Check Applicable Boxes	DESCRIPTION of RECLAMATION ACTIVITIES COMPLETED (Describe any variance(s) that have been granted, date activity completed)
<input type="checkbox"/> Wells Plugged / shafts sealed	
<input type="checkbox"/> Disposal of debris & other materials incident to mining	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drainages, reestablished & stable	

	Structures demolished / removed	
	Regrading Completed – Slopes, pits, highwalls in stable condition	
	Meets Postmining Land Use (Indicate Landuse)	
	Roads Reclaimed	
	Dams, Impoundments, Ditches, Pits reclaimed	
	Topsoil respread – amendments added	
	Erosion Controlled	
	Vegetation meets 70% of premining cover and has survived three years for full bond release – or has survived one year growing season to maintain small mine status.	

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments and obligations, herein.

Print Name

Sign Name, Position

Date

Return to:

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<p align="center">FOR DOGM USE ONLY:</p> <p>File #: M/ _____ / _____</p> <p>Approved: _____</p> <p>Bond Adjustment: from (\$) _____</p> <p>to \$ _____</p>

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